

## NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Council Committees Will be Very Busy This Week.

### BELLE ISLE IMPROVEMENTS

Many Workmen to be Given Employment in Short Time.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, Jan. 3. The city council committees will be very busy this week getting ready for the budget. Important committees will meet before Friday and on that night the Finance Committee will get together to consider the ways and means for the city's needs for the year.

The Street Committee will ask for larger appropriations; the Water Committee will want extra appropriation for improvements at the pump house, and the School Board will request an arrangement by which a new high school may be built. These things will be given much consideration and the committees will require a lot of time to look into them.

The Belle Isle Iron and Nail Works are actively engaged in large improvements and there is no doubt that before a month passes the works will be in full blast with few short of a thousand men at work.

### Death of Mr. Pearman.

Mr. James R. Pearman died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at his home, No. 27 East Fourth Street, aged thirty years. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 10 o'clock at the residence of his brother, W. T. and C. H. and a sister, Mrs. L. C. Nunnally. Mr. Pearman was a member of Davis Council, Juniors, and Lolly Council.

### Police Report.

Chief Lipscomb reports the following work for the year: Total arrests, 1,235; divided as follows: Officer M. Moore, 241; Waymack, 231; Chief Lipscomb, 170; Sergeant W. G. Grizard, 107; Officer Jones, 61. Joint arrests, where two or more officers acted together, 172. Arrests by railroad detectives and special officers, 28, as follows: Jones and Belcher, of the Atlantic Coast Line, 5; J. C. Jones, 4; J. S. Belcher, 6; G. W. Roach, of the Southern Railway, 5; C. A. Overton, of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company, 5; Conductor Gladwell H. Clayton and Special Officer W. H. Flynn, 1 each; High Constable Blankenship, 2; Captain Watts, of Oak Grove, 2; and Sergeant Dolan, of Petersburg, 2; special firemen police during the carnival, 790.

### Sunday Morning Fire.

Three houses were destroyed by flames early Sunday morning on Mark Street, near Fourth. They were occupied by Robert Tridley, George Davis, and Harvey Dunnivant and their families, and belonged to George Gury, valued at \$5,000. Mr. and Mrs. Priddy were aroused by the smoke, and got out with their children in their night clothes.

### Personals and Briefs.

Joe Johnston Camp will meet on Thursday night to elect officers. Final arrangements for the annual blow-out will also be made.

### Fire Commissioners will meet to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

Councilman Grizard left yesterday for his new post of duty at Savannah.

### BITTEN BY MAD CAT.

### Aged Citizen of Louisa Loses Arm From Blood Poison.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Jan. 2.—The ten-year-old son of Mr. J. R. Baker, of King George county, was bitten by a cat a few days ago. Since then the cat has shown signs of rabies. Mr. Baker, who is a postmaster at Fredericksburg, took the child and cat to this city and left for Baltimore to have his son treated at the Pasteur Institute and the cat's body, which he killed, to be examined.

### The salary of Rev. R. A. Williams, pastor of the Baptist Church in this city, at a general meeting of the congregation yesterday was increased from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per annum.

Mrs. Annie G. Bell, of this city, has sold her residence on Prince George Street, to Mr. R. E. Lee and will move to Washington to reside.

The dead body of Jesse Terrill, colored, was found by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, near Orange Court-house, during the Christmas holidays. He had been drinking and on his way home late at night and died from exposure during the night.

Rev. W. T. Wingfield, of Gordonsville, has declined to have him visit over at Clinton to him by the Baptist Church at Christiansburg.

Rev. F. A. Meador, of Elkins, W. Va., has been elected to the position of Christian Episcopal Church, at Gordonsville, the Barbour Memorial Church at Barbourville and the Episcopal Church at Shenandoah.

Mr. George Hopkins, an aged citizen of Louisa county, recently cut his thumb with a sharp razor and it became necessary to have the arm amputated above the elbow.

### A SURPRISE PARTY.

### Friends of Willis Wilson Hobson Greet Him on His Birthday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DALLSBURG, POWHATAN CO., VA., Jan. 2.—The friends of Willis Wilson Hobson gave him a surprise and a unique entertainment last Friday. A card also of a cracker box top was presented to Mr. Hobson, with the following inscription: "Greetings to our Honored Friend, Willis Wilson Hobson, on his seventy-eighth birthday, Friday, December 20, 1904."

The above was handsomely gotten up and served by the following: J. Haskins Hobson, Milton McLaughlin, S. B. Hunt, J. M. Hunt, Arthur Phippen, T. J. Phippen, E. B. Booker, D. S. Hobson, Joseph M. Hobson, Jr., W. H. Foster, Linwood Tatum, D. A. Swineford.

It had been arranged by the friends of Mr. Hobson to have him visit over at Clinton, in Cumberland county, on that day, while his bedroom was beautifully and tastefully decorated. When he arrived at home after dark he found the above friends gathered to wish him many years of continued happiness and good health.

To say "Uncle Willis" was surprised would not convey one-half of the wonderment expressed on his face as he had no inkling of coming events.

A beautifully spread table, which would tempt a saint, was laid out for him. Miss Lucy B. Willis, Supper, over the company was charmed with much furnished by local residents who had heard the new legend and had gathered to share the good old-time

## DISPENSARY A SUCCESS.

### Vance County Wants Permission to Issue Bonds.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HENDERSON, N. C., Jan. 2.—The dispensary has been a great success, having cleared above all expenses, fifteen thousand dollars or over, during the present year. The citizens of Vance county met at the courthouse on the 20th instant for the purpose of discussing the subject of improving public roads. A resolution was offered to petition the Legislature for the county to issue bonds amounting to \$250,000 for the purpose of improving the public highways.

### Christmas German.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LAURENSVILLE, VA., Jan. 2.—

Raney's Hall Friday evening was the scene of one of the prettiest German of the season, given by the Brunswick German Club. This being the Christmas Eve, the hall was exceptionally brilliant. The ballroom was decorated with holly and cedar. Those dancing were: Mr. R. H. Rawlings with Miss Lucy Rawlings, Mr. G. B. Jones with Miss Lizzie Manson, Mr. J. D. Barkley with Miss Lizzie Manson, Mr. B. B. Manson with Miss Mary Manson, Mr. C. W. Hunter with Miss Lizzie Dorby, Mr. W. A. House with Miss Julia Palmer, Mr. R. H. Turner with Miss Lizzie Turner, Mr. J. T. Turner with Miss Nellie Turner, Mr. F. G. S. Keen with Miss Rosa L. Turner, Mr. C. B. Palmer with Miss Lizzie Turner, Mr. T. R. Rux, of South Hill, with Miss Alice Dorch; Mr. N. Turner with Miss Lizzie Powell, of Emporia; Mr. Gilmore with Miss Lizzie Turner, of Emporia; Mr. W. C. Dicks with Miss Lizzie Tabb, of Richmond; Mr. Robert Kink with Miss Kate Glazebrook, of Richmond; Mr. A. L. Dicks with Miss Lizzie Tabb, of Richmond; Mr. Jesse Rawlings with Miss Eva Rawlings, of Richmond; Mr. J. W. J. May with Miss Lizzie Tabb, Mr. W. L. Kram with Miss Annie Lee Harris, Mr. C. W. Rawlings, W. E. Skarke, D. M. Clark, J. R. Daily, of Emporia; H. J. Martin and several other young men of the town.

### Approaching Marriage.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SMITHFIELD, VA., Jan. 2.—On Wednesday, January 1st, Mr. Emmett Richardson and Miss Florence Dunbar will be united in marriage. The ceremony will be performed at the residence of the bride's parents by Rev. S. C. Clifton, D. D., pastor of the Baptist Church. A reception will be served to a host of invited friends of the popular young couple.

### Big Bankruptcy Case.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., Jan. 2.—Petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed here today by United States Judge Boyd before this court. The creditors of C. D. Darrault, Jr., large wholesale and retail merchant, of Concord, Colebrook, and Gold Hill, N. C., were stated to be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, with assets of one hundred thousand.

Mr. Darrault was a well-known and successful receiver, pending moving to show cause. Set for January 17th, and filed bond.

### Mr. Pollard a Member of Firm.

Meers, Pollard and Bagby, real estate and insurance firm, have taken into partnership Mr. James J. Pollard, who has been with the concern for several years. Mr. Pollard is a well-known and successful receiver, pending moving to show cause. Set for January 17th, and filed bond.

### Hotel Men Meet To-day.

The second annual convention of the Virginia Hotel Association will begin at the Jefferson Hotel at 10 A. M. to-day.

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## JEFFERSON CLUB'S ANNUAL DINNER

### Brilliant Entertainment Last Night—Miss Marx, of New York, Sings.

The annual New Year dinner of the Jefferson Club, given at the club rooms last night was one of the most brilliant social events of the season, and was greatly enjoyed by members and their lady friends.

The programme which was prepared by a committee of which Mr. Moses May was chairman, was delightful in every detail, and the dinner itself has not been surpassed in ten years for delicacy and beauty. Mr. David Cole having been the caterer.

The decorations, prepared by Mann & Brown and Catlett & Taylor, were exquisite. There were flowers of many varieties, and in great profusion, while from the ceiling, numerous streamers, designed to indicate the ringing in of the New Year.

During the dinner there was splendid music by Thilow's Orchestra, followed by vaudeville selections by a number of well-known artists.

But the great hit of the evening was made by Miss Edith Marx, who kindly came from New York in order to sing upon the occasion. Miss Marx was roundly cheered, and it was long before she was allowed to retire from the stage.

President A. R. Levy made the opening address, and the first toast, "Why We Celebrate Two New Years," was responded to by Rev. J. B. Grizard.

Mr. F. L. Bloomer spoke to "Why We Are Here," and then "In the Good Old Summer Time" was sung by the audience.

Mr. M. F. Maroules made a brief speech. Mr. Roscoe C. Nelson followed in a humorous effort, and was cheered at the conclusion of nearly every sentence.

Shortly after midnight the party dispersed, happy as the result of one of the most brilliant evenings in the history of the Jefferson Club.

## WARM RACE FOR THE GOVERNORSHIP

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HANOVER, C. H., VA., January 2.—

Mr. George Tucker a justice of the peace of Ashland District, was badly kicked in the face by a young horse to-day.

He was riding to Hanover Courthouse to attend the supervisors' meeting.

The horse was frightened by a hog in the road and threw him to the ground. His foot caught in the stirrup and he was dragged some distance and kicked several times. Fortunately the saddle girth broke, which saved him from being kicked to death.

The supervisors of Hanover county met to-day at the courthouse to settle all matters of the last session, and arrange the affairs for the year.

The treasurer, Mr. Shelton, reported that he had collected about eleven hundred dollars of the dog tax. This fund goes to the paying of owners who lose sheep by dogs, and if any of the fund is left, it goes to the road fund.

There will be a special term of court held on the third Monday in January to try the number of criminals now in the county jail at this place.

## BACK IN THE FAMILY.

### Cool Water, Old Price Homestead, Bought by W. D. Price.

OFFICE, HANOVER COUNTY, VA., Jan. 2.—The old Price homestead, near Fork Church, has been bought back into the family of Mr. Walter D. Price, of New York.

Before the war, under the management of the late Captain W. D. Price, Cool Water was one of the best farms in this section. Originally it contained about 1,000 acres, but the late owner had divided and sold off of Mr. J. F. Grubb, of Loudoun county, bought the homestead with about two hundred acres, and the balance of the farm, which he has bought, Mr. Grubb is not only one of the best farmers, but one of the best citizens in our county, and it is greatly feared he may move out of the county.

At present he is managing the farm of Mr. Price, who will put many improvements on it.

Mr. H. Hunter, also of New York, who bought "Moreland," has received his first car load of pure bred Angora goats. Although shipped from Iowa, the goats arrived in the best of health, and are getting on well. Mr. Hunter believes goats are the things to clean up our groves of brush and weeds, and will bring in a handsome return in wool and kids.

The weather permitted much hunting this Christmas. With the exception of deer and turkeys, game is scarce. Even the negroes can't find the "old hare."

Work on the new telephone line is being pushed to completion with the beginning of the new year.

## Rich—Hall.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BRADYDAM, VA., Jan. 2.—James Rich and Walter Hall, both of Hanover, were married on the 28th of December by the Rev. H. C. Gregory, of the Methodist church. The groom is a prosperous young business man.

## SPECIAL TRAINS ELBA TO ASHLAND, JANUARY 6 AND 7, 1905.

Account of General W. P. Taylor, Academy Street, Richmond, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad will operate special trains, leaving Elba 11:45 P. M. Friday and Saturday, January 6 and 7, respectively, for Ashland and back. Round trip rate, Ashland to Richmond, fifty cents; tickets on sale January 6th and 7th, limit two days, including date of sale. All tickets, including commutation tickets and body tickets, will be honored on these trains as usual without additional charge.

W. P. TAYLOR, Traffic Manager.

## RICHMOND, FREDERICKSBURG AND POTOMAC RAILROAD CO., WASHINGTON SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Effective January 1st, 1905, round trip tickets will be sold as follows: Between Richmond and Washington, limit two days, in addition to date of sale; no stop-overs, \$5.00.

Between Richmond and Washington, limit five days, in addition to date of sale; no stop-overs, \$10.00.

Between Richmond and Ashland, limited two days, in addition to date of sale, 75c.

Between Richmond and Ashland, limited two days, in addition to date of sale, \$1.00.

Between other stations on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad and Washington Southern Railway, round trip tickets will be sold at 5 cents per mile one way distance, limited two days, in addition to date of sale; no stop-overs.

The one way rates between Byrd Street Station and all stations on above roads at 5 cents per mile will be applied to and from Elba.

Commutation ticket books now good to and from Elba will be accepted for passage to and from Byrd Street Station.

Effective January 1st, 1905, fifty cent family tickets will be sold between Richmond and Ashland at \$10.00, limited one year from date of sale.

W. P. TAYLOR, Traffic Manager.

## Largest Stock at Prices WHICH DEFY COMPETITION

Best American Granulated Sugar, 53c per pound.

Fresh Country Eggs, dozen, 17c.

French Cakes, round, 10c.

Soft Pickles, gallon, 10c.

Fresh and Corned Hams, pound, 10c.

Large Irish Potatoes, peck, 10c.

Smithfield Hams, pound, 10c.

French Cakes, round, 10c.

New Virginia Buckwheat, 7 lbs., 25c.

New Boneless Codfish, lb., 10c.

Imported Macaroni and Spaghetti, lb., 10c.

Whole Sweet Pickle, quart, 10c.

Mountain Butter, 2 lbs. for 10c.

New Corn and Grits, 2 lbs. for 10c.

Va. Comb Honey, 2 lbs., 25c.

Best Carolina Rice, pound, 10c.

Large July Lemons, dozen, 12c.

Early June Peas, can, 10c.

Shredded Coconut, pound, 12c.

New Rolled Oats, package, 10c.

Canned Tomatoes, 10c.

Beans or Black Eyed Peas, quart, 10c.

Best City Meat, per lb., 17c, or bush, 65c.